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SUBJ: VISIT OF NASA ADMINISTRATOR JAMES C. FLETCHER

REF: STATE 179890

1. WE HAVE ACCEPTED INVITATION ON BEHALF OF MR. FLETCHER TO ATTEND SBAC DINNER (STAG, BLACK TIE) THE EVENING OF WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, AND TO VISIT THE SBAC PRESIDENT'S ENCLOSURE THURSDAY, SEPT. 5, AT FARNBOROUGH FOR LUNCH AND TO VIEW FLYING DISPLAY. WE HAVE ALSO SCHEDULED MR. FLETCHER TO CO-HOST ALONG WITH ASTRONAUT GARRIOTT 1100 RECEPTION AT US EXHIBIT AT FARNBOROUGH.
2. IN NON-FARNBOROUGH ACTIVITIES, WE PROPOSE SCHEDULE 1100 JOINT PRESS CONFERENCE SEPT. 6 AT US EMBASSY FOR BOTH MR. FLETCHER AND DR. GARRIOTT. WE ARE SEEKING MINISTERIAL LEVEL APPOINTMENT IN DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY FOR FLETCHER AND GARRIOTT FOR AFTERNOON SEPT. 6 BUT APPOINTMENT NOT AS YET CONFIRMED. SUBJECT TO POSSIBILITY OF LAST MINUTE MEDIA REQUESTS FOR PRIVATE INTERVIEWS, WE PROPOSE TO LEAVE REMAINDER OF MR. FLETCHER'S SCHEDULE CLEAR. HE IS BOOKED AT CHURCHILL HOTEL SEPT. 4 THROUGH 7. EMBASSY CONTROL OFFICER IS THOMAS C. COLWELL WHO WILL MEET AND ASSIST.
2. PLEASE ADVISE IF FOREGOING TENTATIVE SCHEDULE IS ACCEPTABLE TO NASA ADMINISTRATION.

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3. ON NEW SUBJECT RELATED TO FARNBOROUGH, US TRADE CENTER WOULD LIKE TO FEATURE LARGE PHOTO OF SKYLAB AND OTHER APPROPRIATE NASA PHOTO IN LOUNGE AREA OF US EXHIBIT AT FARNBOROUGH. A REQUEST FOR PHOTOS CAPABLE OF ENLARGEMENT WAS MADE THROUGH DEPT. OF COMMERCE CHANNELS IN EARLY AUGUST BUT THUS FAR NO PHOTOS RECEIVED. NEED IS NOW URGENT SO WE WOULD APPRECIATE NASA'S DIRECT ASSISTANCE IN SUPPLYING REQUESTED PHOTOS.

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